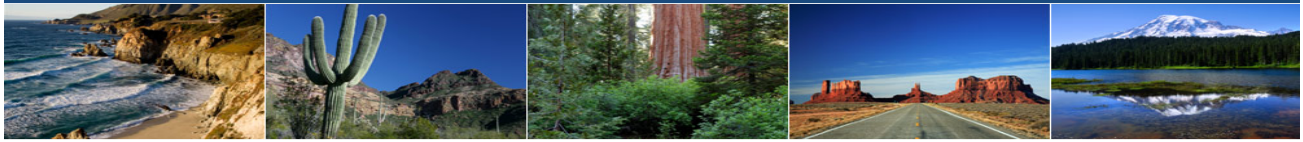


Western Climate Initiative



January 4, 2008

The Honorable Brian Schweitzer
Governor of Montana
State Capitol
Helena, MT 59620


Dear Governor Schweitzer:

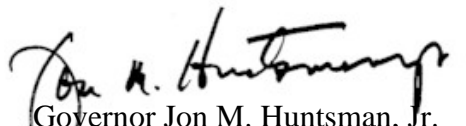
Thank you for your recent letter stating your desire to join the Western Climate Initiative (WCI) as a full partner. We commend your commitment to take action in Montana and to work with us on a regional level to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.


Your goal of returning Montana to 1990 emissions by 2020 is consistent with our individual state and provincial goals and with the WCI's regional goal of 15% below 2005 levels by 2020. It is encouraging that the action plan developed by your Climate Change Advisory Committee provides a comprehensive approach that will allow Montana to achieve and possibly exceed this goal. Your support for clean tailpipe standards for passenger vehicles is especially important at this time in light of USEPA's recent decision to deny the California standards.


Attached you will find the original agreement establishing the WCI along with an additional page for your signature. We look forward to working with you and your representatives over the coming months as we move toward our August 2008 goal to design a regional cap and trade program.


Sincerely,



Governor Christine O. Gregoire
State of Washington


Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.
State of Utah


Governor Theodore R. Kulongoski
State of Oregon


Governor Janet Napolitano
State of Arizona


Governor Bill Richardson
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